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Linear waves in two-layer fluids over periodic bottoms¹ JIE YU,
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search, and Institute for Marine and Atmospheric Research Utrecht, Utrecht Uni-
versity — A new, exact Floquet theory is presented for linear waves in two-layer
fluids over a periodic bottom of arbitrary shape and amplitude. A method of con-
formal transformation is adapted. The solutions are given, in essentially analytical
form, for the dispersion relation between wave frequency and generalized wavenum-
ber (Floquet exponent), and for the waveforms of free wave modes. The dispersion
relation is the analogue of the classical Lamb's equation for a two-layer fluid over a
flat bottom. For internal modes the interfacial wave shows rapid modulation at the
scale of its own wavelength that is comparable to bottom wavelength, whereas for
surface modes it becomes a long wave carrier for modulating short waves of bottom
wavelength. The approximation using a rigid-lid is given. Sample calculations are
shown, including the frequencies that are Bragg resonant.

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